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Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 1,180,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on October 1, 2009, down 1 percent from September 1, 2009, but up 1 percent from October 1, 2008. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 520,000 head on feed, up 2 percent from last month and up 9 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 660,000 head on feed, down 4 percent from last month and down 5 percent from last year.

Placements during September totaled 219,000 head, up 49 percent from last month and up 12 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 105,000 head, up 42 percent from last month and up 30 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 114,000 head. This is up 56 percent from last month, but unchanged from last year.

Marketings for September were 227,000 head, up 44 percent from last month and up 39 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 94,000 head, up 29 percent from last month and up 25 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 133,000 head, up 56 percent

from last month and up 51 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 7,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on October 1, 2009. The inventory was 1 percent above October 1, 2008. The inventory included 6.42 million steers and steer calves, down 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.01 million head, up 4 percent from 2008.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.39 million, 5 percent above 2008. Net placements were 2.34 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 490,000, 600-699 pounds were 450,000, 700-799 pounds were 593,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 855,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.75 million, 4 percent below 2008. This is the third lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of September since the series began in 1996.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, September 1, 2009	510	685	1,195
September Placements	105	114	219
September Marketings	94	133	227
September Other Disappearance	1	6	7
Cattle on Feed, October 1, 2009	520	660	1,180

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ¹**

State	Cattle on Feed October 1			Placements during September			Marketings during September			September Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	360	275	76	24	27	113	25	26	104	1	1	100
CA	505	465	92	55	56	102	53	44	83	2	2	100
CO	870	960	110	255	260	102	150	155	103	5	5	100
ID	195	205	105	57	53	93	41	42	102	1	1	100
IA	475	520	109	81	105	130	75	94	125	1	1	100
KS	2,160	2,220	103	485	510	105	400	330	83	15	10	67
NE	2,110	2,170	103	550	550	100	390	395	101	10	5	50
NM	173	(D)	(D)	27	(D)	(D)	20	(D)	(D)	1	(D)	(D)
OK	315	355	113	60	80	133	49	48	98	1	2	200
SD	175	195	111	56	52	93	44	41	93	2	1	50
TX	2,590	2,600	100	510	570	112	490	485	99	10	15	150
WA	157	147	94	44	35	80	24	27	113	1	1	100
Oth Sts	330	362	(X)	77	90	(X)	51	59	(X)	1	3	(X)
US	10,415	10,474	101	2,281	2,388	105	1,812	1,746	96	51	47	92

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Comparison to 2008 is not applicable.

¹Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed by Class, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots
by Quarter, State, and United States, 2008-2009**

State	Steers & Steer Calves			Heifers & Heifer Calves			Cows & Bulls		
	October 1, 2008	July 1, 2009	October 1, 2009	October 1, 2008	July 1, 2009	October 1, 2009	October 1, 2008	July 1, 2009	October 1, 2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
AZ	359	286	272	1	1	1	0	0	2
CA	455	410	410	50	50	55	0	0	0
CO	515	615	650	350	290	305	5	5	5
ID	101	105	113	89	94	91	5	1	1
IA	345	365	365	130	155	155	0	0	0
KS	1,225	970	1,210	920	945	1,005	15	5	5
NE	1,200	1,130	1,240	900	785	915	10	5	15
NM	77	58	0	96	36	0	0	0	(D)
OK	225	173	215	90	122	140	0	0	0
SD	82	105	100	78	80	81	15	20	14
TX	1,590	1,500	1,520	998	989	1,079	2	1	1
WA	84	80	87	72	65	59	1	1	1
Oth Sts	255	195	234	74	107	126	1	3	2
US	6,513	5,992	6,416	3,848	3,719	4,012	54	41	46